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Dear Eraina,

This letter is in regards to the 3/10/14 compliance check of your Category B, Registered Child Development Home. Iowa Code Chapter 237A and 441 Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, describes specific requirements that must be met by a Registered Child Development Home. The following areas were out of compliance at the time of my visit:

- ☐ 110.5(1)a Numbers for police, fire, ambulance, poison information posted by phone. (You need to post emergency and parent contact phone numbers somewhere near your phone. I suggest using the Phone Numbers sheet I shared with you.)
- ☐ 110.5(1)a Numbers for each child's parent, physician, and a responsible person are accessible by the phone.
- ☐ 110.5(1)b All medicines and poisonous, toxic, or otherwise unsafe materials are secured from access by a child. (You need to install child safety locks on your lower kitchen and bathroom cabinet or move your cleaning supplies out of reach of children.)
- ☐ 110.5(1)c First-Aid supplies are available and easily accessible in the home, outdoor play area, any vehicle used to transport children, and on field trips. (You need to obtain a portable first aid kit.)
- ☐ 110.5(1)c The first-aid kit is sufficient to address first aid related to minor injury or trauma and stored in an area not accessible to children.
- ☐ 110.5(1)j Emergency and disaster plans for fire and tornado are written and posted by primary and secondary exits. (You need to post an emergency/disaster plan next to your front and back door. This plan should include a map of your main level and clearly mark fire/tornado exits/locations.)
- ☐ 110.5(1)j The plans shall clearly map building evacuation routes in case of fire, a safe place indoors in case of tornado, and flood shelter areas.
- ☐ 110.5(1)k Fire and tornado drills are practiced monthly and documentation kept. (You need to practice and record monthly fire/tornado drills. I suggest using the Emergency Drill Record sheet I shared with you.)

☐ 110.5(1)m Has not less than one 2A 10BC rated fire extinguisher in a visible and readily accessible place on each child-occupied floor. (You need to obtain a 2A 10BC fire extinguisher for your main level.)

☐ 110.5(1)o Nonsmoking signs posted at every entrance of the home and in every vehicle used to transport children. Signs include telephone # for reporting complaints, and www.iowasmokefreeair.gov. (You need to post the two no-smoking signs I shared with you next to your front and back door.)

☐ 110.5(1)q All dogs and cats have annual examinations. Records of the exams are on file and must verify that routine immunizations are current and animal is free of endo and ecto parasites. (You need to obtain a vet check record for your dog to be kept on file. These need to be renewed every year.)

110.5(2) A provider file is maintained and contains:

☐ 110.5(2)a A physician's signed statement of health and immunization status on the provider and all members of the household who may be present when children are in the home. Statements must be obtained at the time of initial registration and updated every two years. (You need to obtain a current physician signed statement of health for yourself to be kept on file. These need to be renewed every two years.)

☐ 110.5(2)b Two hours of approved child abuse and neglect mandatory reporter training (and every 5 years thereafter.) (You need to obtain verification of completion of the mandatory child abuse training.)

☐ 110.5(2)b Certification by an approved trainer/organization in infant and child first-aid that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Certification will be maintained throughout period of registration. If they are unable to locate first aid training that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, they must complete both a first aid course and CPR. (You need to obtain current certification in CPR and First Aid.)

☐ 110.5(2)d An individual file is maintained for each substitute and contains: (You need to establish a file for current substitutes Beatrice and Edward. Each file needs to contain a physician signed statement of health, verification of the two hour mandatory child abuse training, and certification in CPR and First Aid.)

☐ 110.5(2)d A physician's signed statement of health of at the time of employment and at least every two years thereafter.

☐ 110.5(2)d Certification of two hours of approved training relating to identification and reporting of child abuse within 6 months of employment and repeated every 5 years.

☐ 110.5(2)d Certification in infant and child first aid that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. If they are unable to locate first aid training that includes mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, they must complete both a first aid course and CPR.

110.5(8) **Children's Files** (You need to establish a basic file for each of the children you watch which includes: identifying information on the child, parent contact information, list of who can pick up the kids, signed emergency medical treatment authorization form, current physician signed statement of health, and current immunization report.)

☐ 110.5(8) An individual file is maintained for each child and updated annually or when there are changes. Each file contains:

☐ 110.5(8)a Identifying information including, at a minimum, the child's name, birth date, parent's name, address, telephone number, special needs of the child and the parent's work address and telephone number.

☐ 110.5(8)b Emergency information including where the parent can be reached, the name, street address, city and telephone of the child's regular doctor, and the name number, telephone number, and relationship to the child of another adult available in case of emergency.

☐ 110.5(8)c A signed medical consent from the parent authorizing emergency treatment.

☐ 110.5(8)d For infants and preschoolers: An admission physical examination, on the first day of attendance, including past health history, status of present health, allergies and restrictive conditions, and recommendations for continued care when necessary. The date of the exam is not more than 12 months before the child's first day of attendance.

☐ 110.5(8)e For infants and preschoolers: A statement of health signed by a physician submitted annually.

☐ 110.5(8)f A list signed by the parent which names persons authorized to pick up the child, their telephone number, and relationship to the child.

☐ 110.5(8)g A signed and dated immunization certificate provided by the state department of public health.

Non-compliance with any of the mandated regulatory requirements listed above may lead to the cancellation or revocation of your Child Development Home Registration. **Please take whatever steps are necessary to completely address each of the violations noted above. It is essential you correct all above-mentioned violations on or before 4/30/14.**

☒ Based on the items out of compliance listed above, you will be required to have a re-check or follow-up visit to your home. This visit will occur on or after 4/30/14.

Please call me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,



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Always Remember:

Child Care Resource and Referral is an excellent resource for providers to access training options and support in your area. You can reach Child Care Resource and Referral at 1-800-722-7619.

As you plan your future trainings to meet your 24 hours of training requirement, please remember that you need to use only DHS approved training and only 12 hours can be by self-study. You can access the approved training by going to http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/Consumers/Child_Care/Professional_Development.html and you can sign up for training at <https://ccmis.dhs.state.ia.us/trainingregistry/>

All providers need to maintain compliance with rules set out in Iowa Administrative Code, Chapter 110, which includes: 441 IAC 110.5(1): Check with the appropriate authorities to determine how the following local, state, or federal laws apply to you: • Zoning code • Building code • Fire code • Business license • State and federal income tax • Unemployment insurance • Worker's Compensation • Minimum wage and hour requirements • OSHA • Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).